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MEMORANDUM FOR: [REDACTED] 25X1
Deputy Director, Intelligence Community Staff
VIA: [REDACTED] 25X1
Director, Planning and Policy Office
FROM: [REDACTED] 25X1
Deputy Director, Planning and Policy Office
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1. Attached is the formal copy of the point paper for the IG(LIC) meeting tomorrow, Wednesday, 23 November 1988. (U)

2. An item in the Discussion Section indicating concern on the fundamental issue of a legitimate role for the LIC infrastructure has been added since you received the draft version. You may wish to address the issue at the IG(LIC) meeting. Data forwarded today as Tabs 1 through 5 remains current. (U)

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POINT PAPER FOR 23 NOVEMBER 1988
IG(LIC) MEETING

Purpose

- o Prepare the DCI representative, [redacted] DD/ICS, to attend an IG(LIC) meeting on 23 November 1988 at 1000 in Room 208, OE08. [redacted] to chair (meeting notice at Tab 1). Other principals are identified at Tab 2. [redacted]

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Background

- o LTG Colin Powell has asked to receive a briefing on results of efforts tasked by the President in [redacted] IG (LIC) meeting convened to prepare for the SIG(LIC) to meet with the National Security Advisor on 7 December 1988. [redacted]
- o Intelligence Community components were primary contributors to the process of developing all issue papers (see Tab 3) responsive to tasking contained in the LIC Policy Integration Plan (see Tab 4) approved at the March 1988 SIG(LIC) meeting. Support included participation in meetings of the LIC Working Group and the intelligence committee steering group. [redacted]
- o Personnel from Intelligence Community components also played key roles in preparing data related to developing the proposed list of countries facing LIC situations (see Tab 3, Issue Paper 4) and assisting in structuring a systematic approach to updating the country list (see Tab 3, Issue Paper 5). [redacted]

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Discussion

- o In their current form, the Issue Papers provide the basis for a significant intelligence role in support of LIC Board activities. An intelligence committee is required to continue functioning (Tab 3, Issue Paper 1) as a central support mechanism to the LIC structure responsive to [redacted] Actions to support policymakers and other consumers with tailored national foreign intelligence will be accomplished within the intelligence requirements and evaluation process. [redacted]
- o Key intelligence activities related to developing and maintaining a list of countries for appropriate LIC infrastructure actions are contained in Tab 3, Issue Papers 2, 4, and 5. Responsibilities are consistent with Intelligence Community component missions and roles

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contained in national directives. Significant work in preparing the intelligence overview (Tab 3, Issue Paper 4) as part of the proposed interagency process for focusing policymakers' attention on LIC situations will be necessary to update any list required by Issue Paper 5. [REDACTED]

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- o The proposed interagency process to foster a systematic approach to assessing the impact of new and changing LIC situations on US policy and national security (see Tab 3, Issue Papers 4 & 5) will require data from national security, foreign policy, security assistance, and economy/trade perspectives, as well as intelligence, to be effective. [REDACTED]
- o Collectively, the Issue Papers lay out a program responsive to the Integration Plan that attempts to provide the basis for guiding future LIC policy, planning, and coordination mechanisms. A critical support role for intelligence is a key theme, however. [REDACTED]
- o The fundamental issue which remains to be addressed is the lack of a legitimate role for the LIC infrastructure in the government decisionmaking process. The IG/SIG(LIC) should be prepared to develop a meaningful program at this juncture or consider ceasing further activity. The possibility of congressional displeasure on further inactivity must be considered. DCI representative may wish to support a suggestion for a better defined program, if offered. [REDACTED]
- o Another significant issue with political overtones in the issue papers is the concept in Tab 3, Issue Papers 2 and 3 to restructure the LIC Board from a cabinet-level committee to a Policy Review Group (PRG) level. The PRG is chaired by the Deputy National Security Advisor and includes members at the under or assistant secretary level. [REDACTED]
- The lack of any issues during the past 17 months (since signature of [REDACTED] requiring a Board-level meeting is the basis for recommending this proposal. [REDACTED])
- Most actions should continue to be resolved at the SIG level. [REDACTED]
- o Proposed agenda for 7 December 1988 will require a briefing on CIA activities in support of [REDACTED] A presentation of three to five minutes is anticipated. A joint DCI and CIA presentation can be developed by LIC Working Group members from each activity if the requirement stands. [REDACTED]

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- DCI portion could focus on intelligence committee sponsored work to produce the country list and supporting country write-ups and creation of an active intelligence committee with broad national and departmental participation. []
- Other significant LIC-related Intelligence Community actions include: (a) the new LIC concentration MSSI program of the Defense Intelligence College and, (b) elements in DIA (DB-5) and CIA [] which are loci for LIC matters. []

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Recommendations

- o Approve the LIC Working Group recommendations in the Issue Papers as written. []
- o Support the designation of the PRG as the LIC Board, but stress the need to resolve most actions at the SIG level if possible. []
- o Support the proposed agenda for the 7 December 1988 SIG(LIC) meeting with LTG Powell. []
 - Propose or support convening a LIC Board only when a significant policy issue surfaces. []
 - Propose or support deferring a LIC Board meeting until the new administration takes office. []
 - Propose or support the need for the LIC infrastructure to complement established processes, not duplicate it. []

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